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In re:	Patent Application of Jawahar C. Parekh et al.	:	Group Art Unit: 1713
Serial No.:	09/960,097	:	Examiner: Peter D. Mulcahy
Filed:	September 21, 2001	:	
For:	HALOGEN SCAVENGER FOR POLYMERS AND COPOLYMERS	:	Attorney Docket No. GC REH 017

**AMENDMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on September 16, 2003 (Paper No. 3) in the above identified application.

**Extension of Time to Respond**

Applicants request an extension period of one month, expiring January 16, 2004, thereby extending the period for response set to expire on December 16, 2003.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite extension fee of \$110.00 for the one-month extension to account no. 070825 for which a duplicate copy of this page and the signatory page is attached.

**The Rejection of the Claims**

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-20, all the claims in the application under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatenable over Miyata et. al., U.S. Patent No. 4,284,762 or Miyata, U.S. Patent No. 4,675,356 on the grounds that these cited patents disclose methods of inhibiting corrosion of olefin polymers and render the present invention obvious because these patents show the utilization of hydrotalcite compounds which are formulated from elements as well as molar ratios that would be obvious to those claimed by the applicant. In the rejection Examiner alludes to specific portions of the '762 and

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